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INSPECTION REPORT

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WESA-A-GEH ZOO

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Site: 001

WESA-A-GEH ZOO

Inspection

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2.40 (b)

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

(b) Each dealer or exhibitor shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care.

One lion, Simbanala, has a lacerated ear that appeared to be bleeding which occurred this past weekend. Also, a tiger, Brutus, has an injured tail where skin was peeled back and reddened. According to the owner, she has been self-treating the wound for about two weeks. The attending veterinarian has not been to the facility to see these animals. The veterinarian should be informed of and inspect the condition of any injured or unhealthy animals. To be corrected by June 19, 2003.

3.125 (a)

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

There are a few pens that have metal support poles and chain link fence that are rusting in areas enough to cause pitting in the metal. This weakens the structural integrity and strength of the enclosure and should be repaired or replaced. Other areas are just beginning to rust and should be watched or treated in the routine maintenance program. To be corrected by July 28, 2003.

3.127 (a)

3.127 (d)

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

(a) Shelter from sunlight. When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort of the animals, sufficient shade by natural or artificial means shall be provided to allow all animals kept outdoors to protect themselves from direct sunlight.

There are 18 pens on the facility that do not currently have shade available for the animals. Today is sunny and in the upper 80's farenheit. Several of the cats without shade were laying in the sun and panting. Some form of shade needs to be provided to these animals. This effects 34 animals. To be corrected by July 1, 2003.

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All redactions on this page are pursuant to (b)(6) & (b)(7)(c).

(d) Perimeter fence. On or after May 17, 2000, all outdoor housing facilities (i.e., facilities not entirely indoors) must be enclosed by a perimeter fence that is of sufficient height to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. Fences less than 8 feet high for potentially dangerous animals, such as, but not limited to, large felines (e.g., lions, tigers, leopards, cougars, etc.), bears, wolves, rhinoceros, and elephants, or less than 6 feet high for other animals must be approved in writing by the Administrator. The fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility. It must be of sufficient distance from the outside of the primary enclosure to prevent physical contact between animals inside the enclosure and animals or persons outside the perimeter fence. Such fences less than 3 feet in distance from the primary enclosure must be approved in writing by the Administrator.

There are several areas of the perimeter fence that have gaps where the wire panels meet. These areas need to be secured together so that the fence can not be pulled apart in these areas. Some areas of the perimeter fence are not secure at the bottom and could allow an animal to go under the fence and enter the facility. There is also an area of the fence that is bowing and requires additional support. To be corrected by July 14, 2003.

3.129 (a)
FEEDING.

(a) The food shall be wholesome, palatable, and free from contamination and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain all animals in good health. The diet shall be prepared with consideration for the age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal. Animals shall be fed at least once a day except as dictated by hibernation, veterinary treatment, normal fasts, or other professionally accepted practices.

There is a log book being kept of where meat/food is obtained, however, more detail on type and amount of food obtained is needed.

The freezer is being used to store excess meat that is all usually fed within a couple weeks, per the owner. The freezer was turned off to allow the meat to thaw somewhat so a portion could be removed for feeding. The temperature was around 40 degrees fahrenheit according to the thermometer. Inside the freezer were many black plastic bags of meat. Some of these bags were open and meat was exposed. Fluids and blood were dripping from some of these exposed carcasses and meat pieces onto the freezer floor and leaking out of the freezer. There were a large number of flies and maggots at the entrance to the freezer. The meat contained in the freezer needs to be kept in plastic bags or other containers to prevent the spillage of fluids and maintain the palatability, wholesomeness, and prevent contamination of the meat. The meat should also be properly thawed via refrigeration or under running water. The freezer has blood and debris buildup on the floor and needs to be cleaned to maintain a clean and healthy holding area for the food. Refer also to Policy #25. To be corrected by June 20, 2003.

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